

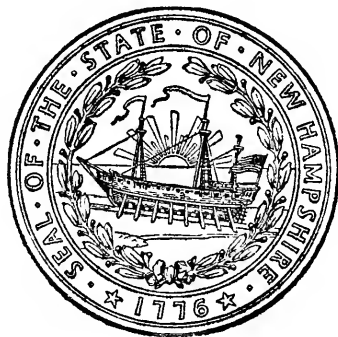
1953

ANNUAL REPORT

Of the Officers of the Town of

BROOKFIELD

NEW HAMPSHIRE



FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31

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COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF SELECTED EXPENDITURES
OF THE TOWN OF BROOKFIELD FOR THE YEARS 1933 - 1953

Year	Schools	County Tax	Highways	Printing Town Reports	Total Expenditures
1953	\$5,834.	\$2,024.	\$3,408.	\$149.	\$21,092.
1952	6,834.	1,989.	3,716.	156.	27,947.
1951	6,145.	2,060.	3,250.	149.	19,555.
1950	5,937.	2,522.	3,175.	138.	19,643.
1949	4,992.	2,654.	2,914.	128.	18,792.
1948	4,319.	2,010.	3,488.	92.	18,594.
1947	3,249.	1,807.	3,459.		18,027.
1946	2,674.	1,521.	3,964.	68.	9,692.
1945	2,409.	1,349.	3,766.	65.	10,251.

1944	2,290.	1,251.	2,062.	65.	8,027.
1943	2,308.	1,293.	2,817.	56.	11,180.
1942	1,999.	1,502.	2,979.	43.	14,459.
1941	2,059.	1,647.	2,018.	43.	15,616.
1940	1,867.	1,819.	3,583.	51.	13,400.
1939	2,384.	1,539.	4,537.	52.	15,588.
1938	2,318.	1,325.	2,018.	49.	18,501.
1937	2,342.	1,210.	2,405.	37.	14,176.
1936	2,466.	1,258.	2,722.	43.	18,824.
1935	2,919.	1,368.	3,173.	61.	14,914.
1934	2,794.	1,063.	4,892.	49.	15,944.
1933	2,997.	877.	3,057.	49.	16,442.

Figures taken from the Brookfield Town Report, but with cents omitted.

ANNUAL REPORT
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OF THE OFFICERS OF THE
TOWN of BROOKFIELD
New Hampshire



For the Fiscal Year Ending December 31

1953

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LIST OF TOWN OFFICERS

Selectmen

M. GODFREY MATTSON J. LYMAN BELKNAP
A. FRANK GARNEY

Town Clerk
C. TRACY WILLEY

Treasurer
BERTHA W. PALMER

Tax Collector
MALCOLM FERGUSON

Highway Agent
RAYMOND L. NASON

Police Officer
MALCOLM M. FERGUSON

Moderator
JASPER T. PALMER

Supervisors
WILLIAM TARLETON CHARLES A. WITHAM
RAYMOND L. NASON

Ballot Clerks
MARY L. COTTON HARRIET TARLETON
CARL C. HANSEN IRENE L. CATE

School Board
CHARLES COTTON WILLIAM TARLETON
CHARLES A. WITHAM

Auditors
MARY G. SAWYER ALICE M. CHURCHILL
WENDELL P. KEENE

WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

(L. S.)

**To the Inhabitants of the Town of Brookfield in the County of
Carroll in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:**

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Brookfield on Tuesday, the ninth day of March, next at ten of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.
2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations of the same.
3. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to hire money to defray town expenses in anticipation of taxes.
4. To see if the Town will vote to accept State Town Road Aid on Class V Highways and appropriate the sum of \$284.71.
5. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of \$120.00 for the purchase of additional fire hose.
6. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of \$200.00 toward the purchase of a new tank truck chassis by the Sanbornville Fire Department.
7. To see if the Town will vote to set aside the sum of \$1,000.00 of the 1953 Cash Surplus as a Capital Reserve Fund.

8. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this twentieth day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and fifty-four.

M. GODFREY MATTSON
J. LYMAN BELKNAP
A. FRANK GARNEY

Selectmen of Brookfield

A true copy of Warrant — Attest:

M. GODFREY MATTSON
J. LYMAN BELKNAP
A. FRANK GARNEY

Selectmen of Brookfield

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF BROOKFIELD, N. H.

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the Ensuing Year
January 1, 1954 to December 31, 1954. Compared with Estimated
and Actual Revenue, Appropriations and Expenditures of the Pre-
vious Year, January 1, 1953 to December 31, 1953.

SOURCES OF REVENUE

	Estimated Revenue Previous Year 1953	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1953	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1954
From State:			
Interest and dividends tax	\$4,500 00	\$4,688 23	\$4,500 00
Railroad tax	100 00	99 10	100 00
Saving Bank tax	7 50	4 77	5 00
Reimbursement a/c Exemption of growing wood and timber	1,200 00	921 98	1,000 00
From Local Sources Except			
Taxes:			
Dog licenses	56 00	52 00	52 00
Income of departments:			
Highways, including rental of equipment	190 00	157 20	135 00
Town poor refund		129 00	
Filing fees			4 00
Motor vehicle permit fees	560 00	596 39	525 00
Cash surplus			2,645 35
From Local Taxes Other Than			
Property Taxes:			
Poll taxes — regular at \$2	168 00		160 00
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Total Revenues from All Sources Except Property Taxes	\$5,781 50		\$9,522 35
Amount To Be Raised By Property Taxes			\$9,018 64

Total Revenues			\$18,540 99

PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES

	App. Prev. Yr. 1953	Act. Ex. Prev. Yr. 1953	Est. Ex. Ens. Yr. 1954
Current Maintenance Expenses:			
General Government:			
Town officers' salaries	\$925 00	\$866 78	\$900 00
Town officers' expenses	450 00	440 34	525 00
Election and registration expenses	75 00	66 45	240 00
Expenses town hall and other buildings	150 00	52 27	150 00
Protection of Persons and Property:			
Police department	10 00		10 00
Fire department	400 00	90 67	400 00
Moth Exterm.—Blister Rust and care of trees	200 00	200 00	200 00
Insurance	325 00	351 91	350 00
Health:			
Health department, including hospitals	5 00	3 00	5 00
Vital statistics	3 00	1 25	3 00
Highways and Bridges:			
Town maintenance—summer	2,000 00	2,346 62	2,000 00
Town maintenance—winter	1,500 00	1,062 37	1,500 00
General expenses of highway department	1,000 00	638 26	800 00
Town road aid	280 47	280 47	284 91
Public Welfare:			
Town poor	100 00	1,118 75	100 00
Old age assistance	300 00	189 60	900 00
Patriotic Purposes:			
Memorial Day and veterans' Associations	12 00	10 95	12 00
Unclassified:			
Employees' retirement and Social Security	75 00	93 00	100 00
Interest			
On temporary loans	60 00	37 91	60 00
On long term notes and bonds	75 00	62 50	35 00

Outlay for New Construction
and Perm. Improv.

Highways and Bridges:

Town construction, Durgin

Bridge	400 00	287 46	
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New equipment	800 00	495 00	550 00
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Indebtedness:

Payment on Principal of Debt:

Long term notes	1,500 00	1,500 00	1,000 00
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Payments to Other Governmental

Divisions:

County taxes	2,024 82	2,024 82	2,000 00
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School taxes	4,247 97	4,247 97	6,446 08
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Total Expenditures	\$16,920 26	\$16,468 45	\$18,540 99
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SUMMARY OF INVENTORY VALUATION

Lands and buildings		\$392,505 00
Electric plants	2	26,581 00
Horses, asses and mules	7	400 00
Cows	47	4,825 00
Sheep and goats	2	20 00
Fowls	296	344 00
Portable mills	1	1,500 00
Wood, lumber, etc.		49,987 00
Mills and machinery		200 00

Total Gross Valuation Before Exemptions allowed		\$476,362 00
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Less: Soldier's exemptions and exemptions to blind		5,500 00
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Net Valuation on Which Tax Rate Is Computed		\$470,862 00
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Number of veterans who received property exemption	6
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Number of veterans exempted from poll tax	9
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STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND TAXES ASSESSED

APPROPRIATIONS

Town officers' salaries	\$ 925 00
Town officers' expenses	450 00
Social Security or retirement	75 00
Election and registration expenses	75 00
Town hall and buildings maintenance	150 00
Police department	10 00
Forest fires	400 00
Blister Rust — moth extermination	200 00
Health department	5 00
Vital statistics	5 00
Town road aid	280 47
Town maintenance (summer \$2,000.00)	
(winter \$1,500.00)	3,500 00
New construction (bridges \$400.00)	400 00
General expenses of highway department	1,000 00
Insurance	325 00
New equipment	800 00
Old Age assistance	300 00
Public relief (town poor \$100.00)	100 00
Memorial Day	12 00
Interest on temporary loans	60 00
Payments on debt (Principal \$1,500.00) (interest \$75.00)	1,575 00
County tax	2,024 82
School tax	4,247 97

Total Town and School appropriations	\$16,920 26

Less: Estimated Revenues and Credits:

Interest and dividends tax	\$4,688 23
Railroad tax	100 00
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Savings bank tax	7 50	
Reimbursement a/c exemption of growing wood and timber	921 98	
Motor vehicle permit fees	560 00	
Dog licenses	56 00	
Rent of town property and equipment	190 00	
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Total revenues and credits		6,523 71
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		10,396 55
Plus overlay		122 41
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Net Amount to be Raised by Taxation		\$10,518 96
Less: 80 Poll taxes at \$2.00	\$160 00	
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		160 00
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Amount to be raised by property taxes on which tax rate is to be figured		\$10,358 96

TAXES TO BE COMMITTED TO COLLECTOR

Property taxes	\$10,358 96
Poll taxes at \$2.00	160 00
Total Taxes to be committed	10,518 96
Town tax rate, \$2.20 per \$100.00 of valuation	

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1953

	Appropriations	Refund and Reimbursements	Total Available	Expenditures	Unexpended Balance	Overdraft
Town officers' salaries	\$925 00			\$866 78	\$58 22	
Town officers' expenses	450 00			440 34	9 66	
Election and registration	75 00			66 45	8 55	
Town Hall and other buildings	150 00			52 07	97 93	
Police department	10 00				10 00	
Fire department	400 00	\$41 89	\$441 89	90 67	351 22	
Moth and blister rust	200 00	3 00	203 00	200 00	3 00	
Insurance	325 00	16 55	341 55	351 91		\$10 56
Health department	5 00			3 00	2 00	
Vital statistics	5 00			1 25	3 75	
Town highway maintenance						
summer	2,000 00			2,346 62		346 62
Winter	1,500 00			1,062 37	437 63	
Bridges	400 00	125 04	525 04	412 06	112 98	
General expenses of highway	1,000 00			638 26	361 74	
Town road aid	280 47			280 47		
Town poor	100 00	129 00	229 00	1,118 75		889 75
Old Age assistance	300 00			89 60	210 40	

Memorial Day	12 00	10 95	1 05
Interest: temporary loan	60 00	37 91	22 09
Interest: long-term loan	75 00	62 50	12 50
New equipment	800 00	495 00	305 00
Long term debt	1,500 00	1,500 00	
County taxes	2,024 82	2,024 82	
Social security	75 00	93 00	30 04
	48 04	123 04	
	<u>\$12,672 29</u>	<u>\$13,035 81</u>	<u>\$2,037 76</u>
Totals		\$12,244 78	\$1,246 73
			<u>1,246 73</u>
			<u>\$ 791 03</u>
Unexpended Balance			

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE TOWN OF BROOKFIELD

----- BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS

Cash	\$9,544 50
Accounts Due to the Town—	
Due from State: Bounties	24 00
Other bills due Town:	
Fire bill	33 75
Plowing driveways, 1953	135 00
J. E. Drew estate	449 40
C. A. Cotton	114 18
Unredeemed Taxes:	
Levy of 1952	25 73
Uncollected Taxes:	
Levy of 1953	1,778 52
Levy of 1952	10 85
Levy of 1951	5 10
State Head Taxes—Levy of 1953	35 00
State Head Taxes—previous years	5 00

Total Assets	\$12,161 03

LIABILITIES

Accounts Owed by the Town:	
Reserve a/c Future Yield Tax loss	6,157 71
Due to State:	
(Uncollected \$35.00) (Collected not remitted to State Treas. \$75.00)	110 00
Due to School Districts: balance of appropriation	2,247 97
Long Term Notes Outstanding:	
Truck note, due July 1954	1,000 00

Total Liabilities	\$9,515 68

Excess of assets over liabilities (surplus)	2,645 35

Grand Total	\$12,161 03

UNIFORM CLASSIFICATION

RECEIPTS

From Local Taxes: (Collected and remitted
to Treasurer)

Property taxes, current year, 1953	9,390 69
Poll taxes, current year, regular	
at \$2, 1953,	138 00
Yield taxes, 1953	3,219 22
State Head taxes at \$5, 1953,	390 00

Total Current Year's Taxes	
collected and remitted	\$13,137 91
Property taxes and yield taxes, previous	
years	3,022 51
Poll taxes, previous years, regular at \$2	22 00
State Head taxes at \$5, previous years	60 00
Interest received on taxes	71 95
Penalties on State Head taxes	9 00

From State:

Interest and dividend tax	4,688 23
Railroad tax	99 10
Savings bank tax	4 77
Fighting forest fires	15 04

From Local Sources, Except Taxes:

Dog licenses	52 00
Rent of town property	157 20
Registration of motor vehicles, 1952	
permits	2 49
Registration of motor vehicles, 1953	
permits	593 90

Total Current Revenue Receipts	\$21,936 10

Receipts Other Than Current Revenue:

Temporary loans in anticipation of taxes during year	3,000 00	
Pine Blister Rust	3 00	
Sale of town property	75 00	
Wakefield Garage, truck tax refund	191 91	
Town of Wakefield, Durgin bridge refund	125 04	
Grendler Swett fire refund	26 85	
C. A. Cotton refund	129 00	
Insurance refund	16 55	
Security payment L. Cormier	53 04	
H. P. Sawyer, acct. 1953 taxes	200 00	
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Total Receipts Other Than Current Revenue		\$3,820 39
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Total receipts from all sources		25,756 49
Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1953		4,880 83
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Grand Total		\$30,637 32

PAYMENTS**Current Maintenance Expenses:****General Government:**

Town officers' salaries	\$866 78
Town officers' expenses	440 34
Election and registration expenses	66 45
Expenses town hall and other town buildings	52 07

Protection of Persons and Property:

Fire department, including forest fires	90 67
Moth extermination, blister rust	200 00
Bounties	24 00
Insurance	351 91

Health:

Health department, including	
hospitals	3 00
Vital statistics	1 25

Highways and Bridges:

Town road aid	280 47
Town maintenance (summer \$2,346.62)	
(winter \$1,062 37)	3,408 99
General expenses of highway	
department	638 26

Public Welfare:

Old age assistance	89 60
Town poor	1,118 75

Patriotic Purposes:

Memorial Day and Veterans'	
Associations	10 95

Unclassified:

Advance payment on 1953 taxes	253 04
Taxes bought by town	25 73
Employees' retirement and Social	
Security	93 00

Total Current Maintenance Expenses	371 77
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Interest:

Paid on temporary loans in antici-	
pation of taxes	37 91
Paid on long term notes	62 50

Total Interest Payments	100 41
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Outlay for New Construction,**Equipment and Perm. Improv.**

Bridges—town construction Durgin	412 06
New equipment	495 00

Total Outlay Payments	907 06
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Indebtedness:

Payments on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes	3,000 00
Payments on long term notes	1,500 00
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Total Indebtedness Payments	4,500 00

Payments to Other Governmental**Divisions**

State Head taxes paid State Treas. (1953 taxes \$284.00) (Prior years \$388 57)	672 57
Taxes paid to county	2,024 82
Payments to Dept. of Public Welfare, Oasi fund	3 20
Payments to School Districts (1952 tax \$2,368 60) (1953 tax \$2,500.00)	4,868 60
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Total Payments to Other Governmental	
Divisions	7,569 19
Bank service charge	90
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Total payments for all purposes	\$21,092 82
Cash on hand December 31, 1953	9,544 50
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Grand Total	\$30,637 32

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town hall, lands and buildings	\$7,000 00
Furniture and equipment	500 00
Fire Department, lands and buildings,	
Equipment	700 00
Highway Department, lands and buildings	2,000 00
Equipment	7,000 00
Schools, lands and buildings	2,000 00
Equipment	500 00
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Total	\$19,700 00

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Collected and Remitted to Treasurer	
Registration of Motor Vehicles:	
1952 Auto permits	\$ 2 49
1953 Auto permits	593 90
Dog licenses, 1953	52 00
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	\$ 648 39

C. TRACY WILLEY,
Town Clerk

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

LEVY OF 1953

Dr.

Taxes Committed to Collector:

Property taxes	\$10,358 96
Poll taxes	162 00
Head taxes	460 00
Timber yield taxes	4,017 47

Added Taxes:

Interest	25
Penalties on Head taxes	3 00

Total	<u> </u>	\$15,001 68
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Remittances to Treasurer:

Property taxes	\$9,390 69
Poll taxes	138 00
Head taxes	390 00
Penalties on Head taxes	3 00
Yield taxes	3,219 22
Interest	25

	<u> </u>	\$13,141 16
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Uncollected Taxes:

Property taxes	\$968 27
Poll taxes	12 00
Head taxes	35 00
Yield taxes	798 25

	<u> </u>	\$ 1,813 52
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Abatements Allowed:

Poll taxes	\$ 12 00
Head taxes	35 00

	<u> </u>	\$ 47 00
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	<u> </u>	\$15,001 68
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LEVY OF 1952

Dr.

Uncollected Taxes, January 1, 1953:

Property taxes	\$1,815 65
Poll taxes	26 00
Head taxes	75 00
Yield taxes	1,400 01

\$3,316 66

Added Taxes:

Head taxes	\$ 5 00
Poll taxes	2 00
Penalties	6 00
Interest	71 70

\$ 84 70

\$3,401 36

Cr.

Remittances to Treasurer:

Property taxes	\$1,792 35
Poll taxes	22 00
Head taxes	60 00
Penalties	6 00
Yield taxes	1,230 16
Interest	71 70

\$3,182 21

Uncollected Taxes:

Welch — property tax	\$ 10 85
Welch—Head tax	5 00
Yield taxes	28 14

\$ 43 99

Abatements Allowed:

Property taxes	\$ 12 45	
Poll taxes	6 00	
Head taxes	15 00	
Yield taxes	141 71	
		\$ 175 16

		\$3,401 36

LEVY OF 1951**Dr.****Uncollected Taxes, January 1, 1953:**

Property taxes	\$ 5 10
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Cr.**Unpaid Taxes:**

Property taxes, B. Welch	\$ 5 10
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COLLECTOR'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE**Levy of 1952**

	Taxes	Costs	Total
Lillian M. West, Jr.	\$11 62	\$1 17	\$12 79
Robert Jackman	8 31	1 17	9 48
Norman H. Royle	2 29	1 17	3 46

			\$25 73

UNREDEEMED TAXES**Levy of 1952**

Lillian M. West, Jr.	\$ 12 79
Robert Jackman	9 48
Norman H. Royle	3 46

	\$ 25 73

MALCOLM M. FERGUSON,
Tax Collector

TREASURER'S REPORT

For Fiscal Year 1953

RECEIPTS

Malcolm M. Ferguson, Tax Collector:

Property tax, levy 1953	\$9,390 69
Poll taxes, 1953	138 00
Yield taxes, 1953	3,219 22
State Head taxes, 1953	390 00
Property and yield taxes, previous years	\$3,022 51
Poll taxes, previous years	22 00
State Head taxes, previous years	60 00
Interest on taxes	71 95
Head tax penalties	9 00

\$16,323 37

State Treasurer:

Interest and dividend tax	\$4,688 23
Railroad tax	99 10
Savings Bank tax	4 77
Fighting forest fires	15 04

\$4,807 14

C. Tracey Willey, Clerk:

Auto registration permits	\$ 596 39
Dog licenses	52 00

\$ 648 39

Wolfeboro National Bank:

Temporary loans	\$3,000 00
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Other Sources:

Pine blister rust refund	\$ 3 00	
Sale of town property	75 00	
Wakefield Garage, tax refund		
on truck	191 91	
Gerdler Swett, cost of fire	26 85	
C. A. Cotton, support	129 00	
Wentworth Insurance Agency,		
refund	16 55	
Security payment, L. Cormier	53 04	
Advance payment on 1954 taxes,		
Howard P. Sawyer	200 00	
Town of Wakefield—Durgin		
Bridge	\$125 04	
Rent of town property	\$157 20	

		\$ 977 59

Total Receipts

\$25,756 49

Cash on hand, January 1, 1953

4,880 83

Total Amount Available

\$30,637 32**PAYMENTS**

Paid by Selectmen's orders	\$21,091 92	
Bank service charge	90	

		\$21,092 82

Cash on hand, December 31, 1953		\$9,544 50

A true summary of accounts, taken from books of Treasurer,
for fiscal year 1953, and respectfully submitted to you by

BERTHA W. PALMER

Treasurer

DETAILED RECEIPTS

RENT OF TOWN PROPERTY

Plowing Driveways

1952

Mary L. Cotton	\$ 5 00
John Lee	10 00
Edward White	10 00
Howard P. Sawyer	10 00
Myron J. Cate	5 00
Charles Q. York	15 00
William Tarleton	10 00
Amey Churchill	5 00
Norris Cate	5 00
Frank Robertson	5 00
Edward Howes	10 00

1953

Jasper Palmer	5 00
Harold Feist	15 00

\$ 110 00

Albert Whittaker, use of pump	\$ 5 00
Guy Garland, use of pump	2 00
State of New Hampshire, truck, Mt. Shaw fire	15 90
State of New Hampshire, truck, TRA	24 30

\$ 47 20

SALE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Bernard Hutchins, old plow	\$ 75 00
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DETAILED PAYMENTS

TOWN OFFICER'S SALARIES

M. Godfrey Mattson, selectman	\$197 75
J. Lyman Belknap, selectman	197 75
A. Frank Garney, selectman	197 75
C. Tracey Willey, town clerk	69 21
Bertha W. Palmer, treasurer	59 32
Malcolm M. Ferguson, tax collector	130 00
Malcolm M. Ferguson, police	5 00
Mary G. Sawyer, auditor	5 00
Alice M. Churchill, auditor	5 00
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O.A.S.I. \$8.22	\$ 866 78

TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSES

M. Godfrey Mattson	\$ 75 31
J. Lyman Belknap	22 60
A. Frank Garney	17 40
C. Tracy Willey	86 73
Bertha W. Palmer	32 10
Assessors' Association	3 00
Collectors' Association	3 00
Clerks' Association	2 00
Lee T. Gray, conveyance reports	7 26
Kingswood Press, town reports	149 00
Malcolm M. Ferguson	9 00
Sargent Bros.	7 70
Wake-Brook Press	5 50
Wheeler and Clark	2 07
Edson C. Eastman	2 20
Brown and Saltmarsh	15 47
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	\$440 34

ELECTION AND REGISTRATION

Jasper T. Palmer, moderator	\$ 5 00
William Tarleton, supervisor	10 00

Charles A. Witham, supervisor	10 00
Raymond L. Nason, supervisor	10 00
Mary L. Cotton, ballot clerk	5 00
Irene Cate, ballot clerk	5 00
Harriet Tarleton, ballot clerk	5 00
Carl C. Hansen, ballot clerk	5 00
Kingswood Press, ballots	11 45

	\$66 45

TOWN HALL AND OTHER BUILDINGS

Public Service Co. of N. H.	\$ 21 42
Wolfeboro Coal Co.	15 65
Clyde Laskey	15 00

	\$ 52 07

FIRE DEPARTMENT

C. T. Willey, warden, Swett fire	\$ 26 85
Walter Rines, wardens' school	11 22
M. G. Mattson, warden's school	7 50
C. T. Willey, warden, Tibbetts Hill fire	11 35
C. T. Willey, warden, Ferguson fire	33 75

	\$ 90 67

BLISTER RUST

State of New Hampshire	\$ 200 00
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BOUNTIES

Porcupines	\$ 24 00
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INSURANCE

Wentworth Insurance Agency	\$351 91
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HEALTH DEPARTMENT

C. Tracey Willey	\$ 3 00
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VITAL STATISTICS

C. Tracey Willey	\$ 1 25
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TOWN MAINTENANCE

Summer Highway

R. L. Nason	\$1,240 94
G. Garland	274 52
J. Smith	60 28
G. West	94 50
A. L. Nason	79 53
E. B. Nason	46 88
R. Nason	33 46
A. Smith	47 82
A. Boston	68 29
M. G. Mattson	1 80
E. Drown	355 80
S. Drown	24 00
Town of Wakefield	7 00
Director of Internal Revenue	11 80

\$2,346 62

O.A.S.I.	\$ 28 92
Flood damage	513 85
TRA extra	65 58

Winter Highway

R. L. Nason	\$669 60
Ed. W. Nason	28 58
Ronald Nason	35 10
Guy Garland	115 01
James Smith	42 71
J. E. Drew	33 30
G. E. West	7 20
Forrest Drew	6 30
A. A. Boston	21 27
Ernest Nason	42 00
M. G. Mattson	5 40
M. R. Wilson & Son, salt	13 40
Edgar Drown, grade	42 50

\$1,062 37

DURGIN BRIDGE

R. L. Nason	\$ 71 96
Ed. W. Nason	58 11
James Smith	58 06
Fred Sibley	19 70
A. F. Garney	21 45
Edgar Drown, grade	57 50
J. M. Haynes estate	15 00
C. DiPrizio & Sons	99 38
O.A.S.I.	10 90

	\$ 412 06
From Town of Wakefield, \$125.04	125 04

Cost to town	\$ 287 02

GENERAL EXPENSES OF HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Socony-Vacuum Oil Co.	\$ 316 72
Wakefield Garage	185 85
Sanbornville Garage	11 68
R. C. Hazelton Co., Inc.	37 00
Miner's Service Station	9 99
A. J. Soucy	56 56
R. Swinerton	16 26
J. M. Haynes estate	4 20

	\$ 638 26

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

State of New Hampshire	\$ 89 62
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TOWN POOR

Virginia Spence	\$ 192 00
Robert Alie	3 00
Mary Cotton	25 00
Wm. Lord Co.	5 00
Huggins Hospital	365 40
Frank Allen, M.D.	80 00

Tox-A-Way Manor	346 50
Osgood Pharmacy	52 85
Hall's Pharmacy	4 00
Robert M. Lord, M.D.	15 00
George E. Quinn, M.D.	30 00
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	\$1,118 75

MEMORIAL DAY

Tessier and Bean	\$ 10 95
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INTEREST

Wolfeboro National Bank	
Temporary Loan	\$ 37 91
Long-term Loan	62 50
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	\$100 41

NEW EQUIPMENT

R. C. Hazelton Co., Inc. plow	\$495 00
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PAYMENT TO OTHER GOVERNMENTAL DIVISIONS

State Treasurer	
1952 Head taxes	\$388 57
1953 Head taxes	284 00
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	\$ 672 57
Kenneth Berry, County tax	2,024 82
School District	
1952-53	\$2,368 60
1953-54	2,500 00
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	4,868 60
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	\$7,565 99

ABATEMENTS ALLOWED

Levy 1952	\$ 175 16
Levy 1953	47 00

	\$ 222 16

REPORT OF TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF BROOKFIELD ON DECEMBER 31, 1953

Name of Fund	Balance Jan. 1 1953	Income Year 1953	Expended During Year	Balance Dec. 31, 1953
R. A. Lang Est.	\$ 208 83	\$ 5 14	\$10 00	\$ 203 97
Thomas T. Deland	61 20	1 52		62 72
Noah Robinson	105 29	2 59	5 00	102 88
Joseph Podrasnik	611 03	15 37		626 40
Jasper T. Palmer	189 02	4 75		193 77
Mary G. Garland	209 83	5 22	3 00	212 05
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Totals	\$1,385 20	\$34 59	\$18 00	\$1,401 79

This is to certify that the information contained in this report is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

M. GODFREY MATTSON
Trustee

AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE

We have examined the accounts of the various Town Officers in accordance with auditing standards required by the State Tax Commission and find them correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

ALICE M. CHURCHILL
WENDELL P. KEENE
Town Auditors

January 30, 1954

REPORT OF FOREST FIRE WARDENS

The fire season of 1953 was not a very pretty picture. It started out in fine shape with plenty of rain during the spring months. The month of June was the end of the rains and then a period of dry weather. During June we had quite a few lightning storms without any rains. On June 21 and 22 we had one of these storms that started over 43 fires in this state including the Mt. Shaw fire.

People burning without a permit or burning in unsafe places or at unsafe times were the cause of our largest number of fires. It is hard to believe why people do this when they have the expert advice of their town warden who is as close to them as their telephone. Your town Forest Fire Warden is not going to stop you from burning your rubbish or your old fields, but he wants you to burn in a safe place and at a safe time. You must remember it is unlawful to burn without a permit from your Forest Fire Warden.

We have inherited a tremendous responsibility in the priceless treasure of our natural resources. To keep these natural riches we must guard them from all destructive agents. The foremost among these agents is Fire — man's best servant but worst enemy.

REMEMBER — ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT FOREST FIRES!

Number of fires — 2. Number of acres burned — 1 1/10.
Number of permits issued — 1.

Forest Fire Warden
C. TRACY WILLEY

District Chief
ROBERT B. SMITH

SCHOOL BOARD'S ESTIMATE FOR 1954-1955

School Board's statement of amounts required to support public schools and meet other statutory obligations of the district for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1954.

DETAILED STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES

Salaries of district officers	\$ 140 00
Supt's. salary (local share)	107 03
Tax for state-wide supervision	28 00
Salaries of other administrative personnel	10 00
Supplies and expenses	138 05
Elementary teachers' salaries	2,900 00
Books and other instructional aids	50 00
Scholars' supplies	60 00
Supplies and other expenses	10 00
Salaries of janitors	150 00
Fuel or heat	100 00
Water, light, supplies and expenses	85 00
Repairs and replacements	225 00
Health supervision	60 00
Transportation — elementary	1,450 00
Tuition — high	500 00
Special activities and special funds	10 00
School lunch	100 00
Teachers' retirement	218 00
Insurance, treas. bonds and expenses	5 00
Contingency fund	100 00
Total Amount Required to Meet School Board's Budget	<hr/> \$6,446 08
Total Appropriations to be voted by School District	<hr/> \$6,446 08

FINANCIAL REPORT

June 30, 1952 to July 1, 1953

Brookfield School District

PAYMENTS

Salaries of District Officers

William W. D. Tarleton	\$ 44 00
Charles A. Witham	30 00
Charles A. Cotton	30 00
Mary E. Witham	30 00
J. Lyman Belknap	2 00
Alice M. Churchill	2 00
Mary A. Sawyer	2 00

\$140 00

Superintendent's Salary

State Treasurer, local share	\$156 19
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Tax for State-wide Supervision

Per capita tax	\$52 00
Enumeration	7 00

\$ 59 00

Administration Miscellaneous

N. H. Teachers' Retirement	
System deduction	\$ 167 10
Supplies and expenses	60 00
Chairman of School Board's	
expenses	4 75
Bank service charge	1 64

\$233 49

Principal's and Teachers' Salaries

Eugenia D. Hutchins	1,743 11
Ruby Pearson	210 00

\$1,953 11

Collector of Internal Revenue

Teachers' withholding tax	\$469 00
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Books and Other Instructional Aids

Scott Foresman Co.	\$ 6 40
American Book Co.	2 25
Ginn and Company	3 86
Follett Publishing Co.	2 03
Beckley Cardy Co.	8 45

\$ 22 99

Scholars' Supplies

J. L. Hammett Co.	\$ 34 43
Iroquois Publishing Co.	2 26
Scott Foresman Co.	10 30

\$46 99

Supplies and Other Expenses

Elgin L. Green	\$ 2 60
Educators Progress Service	11 00
J. L. Hammett Co.	5 65
Tessier and Bean	97

\$ 20 22

Janitor's Salary

John L. Prindall	\$114 00
Charles A. Witham	2 50
William W. D. Tarleton	2 50

\$ 119 00

Fuel

A. W. Wiggin	\$ 84 00	
W. M. Lord, Inc.	5 50	
	<hr/>	\$ 89 50

Lights, Supplies and Expenses

Public Service Co. of N. H.	\$ 48 42	
J. L. Hammett Co.	16 99	
J. M. Haynes estate	12 98	
Tessier and Bean	1 98	
Moulton's Store	9 35	
Milton Bradley & Co.	5 39	
	<hr/>	\$ 95 11

Repairs and Replacements

Wilfred Berry	\$ 15 00	
J. L. Hammett Co.	6 31	
Charles A. Witham	5 50	
William W. D. Tarleton	5 50	
	<hr/>	\$ 32 31

Transportation

Charles A. Witham	\$1,050 00	
Irene L. Cate	240 00	
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Tuition

Bard B. Plummer, treasurer Nute		
High School	\$705 00	
School Dept., City of Rochester,		
N. H.	46 00	
	<hr/>	\$751 00

Special Activities and Special Funds

Mary E. Witham	\$ 95 96	
Horace Partridge	21 44	
Abbott's Store	40	
	<hr/>	\$117 80

Retirement

Superintendent's salary,		
Brookfield's share	\$ 8 03	
Teachers	160 11	
	<hr/>	\$168 14

Insurance, Treasurer's Bond and Expenses

Wentworth Insurance Agency,		
Treasurer's bond	5 00	
Wentworth Insurance Agency,		
Insurance on schoolhouse		
and buildings	65 70	
	<hr/>	\$ 70 70

REPORT OF DISTRICT TREASURER

Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1953

Cash on hand July 1, 1952		\$1,069 02
Received from Selectmen:		
Current appropriation	\$6,868 60	
Received from State Treasurer:		
Federal Funds (Hot lunch)	95 96	
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Total Receipts		\$6,964 56
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Total amount available for fiscal year		\$8,033 58
Less: School Board orders paid,	\$5,832 91	
Bank service charge	1 64	
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		5,834 55
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Balance on hand June 30, 1953		\$2,199 03

Respectfully submitted,

MARY E. WITHAM,
Treasurer

Audited Sept. 11, 1953

ALICE M. CHURCHILL
MARY G. SAWYER

Auditors

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Board and Citizens of Brookfield:

During the school year 1952-53 the Churchill School was fortunate to have as its teacher Mrs. Eugenia Hutchins of Wolfeboro. Mrs. Hutchins is a graduate of Plymouth Teachers College and has had several years of teaching experience. She has demonstrated that she is an excellent teacher and has been very cooperative with all concerned with the school.

Early in November, Mrs. Rebecca Sanborn, R.N., of Effingham, began service as the school nurse. Mrs. Sanborn is highly skilled in her profession and has a deep interest in the welfare of the children. Both Mrs. Hutchins and Mrs. Sanborn are continuing on the school staff during the current year.

Through the unremitting efforts of the Mother's Club the school lunch continued to furnish through the year warm, nourishing, balanced noon meals. The amount of assistance from the Federal Government was reduced. Received from this source was \$95.96 and about \$60.00 worth of surplus foods. The appropriation made at the last School District meeting will be of great assistance.

The fine dental program initiated by Mrs. Eva Willey has been continued. It is doubtful if any other school in the state makes available such complete dental care. This is an extremely valuable project and should be encouraged.

During the past summer Mr. William Tarleton and Mr. Charles Witham gave the floor in the school room a thorough cleaning and then applied a bakelite seal, followed by two coats of wax. This is a great improvement over the oil treatment used in the past.

At the annual meeting of the State School Boards' Association held at Laconia during October, Mr. Charles Witham was

the recipient of a plaque in honor of over twenty-five years' service on the school board. The presentation was made at a special ceremony by the State Association in recognition of long and valuable civic service to about a dozen board members from various districts of the state.

The unfailing cooperation of members of the School Board the teacher, nurse, pupils, and citizens is most sincerely appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

EVERETT H. BRASIER
Superintendent of Schools

January 11, 1954

REPORT OF SCHOOL NURSE

	No. of Pupils
Tuberculosis Patch tests	9
(Sponsored by N. H. Tuberculosis Association)	
Massachusetts Vision tests	17
Maico Hearing tests	8
Inspections	19
Heights	23
Weights	23
Communicable Diseases	
Mumps	6

Defects Found by School Nurse, Teacher	Number of Cases	Number of Pupils Seen or Treated by Family Physician
Vision	2	2
Tonsils	3	3
Hearing	1	

Dental (Local Project)	No. Examined	No. Children Treated
	9	9
Well-Child Conference	4	4
(Sponsored by Dept. of Health—School Nurse Assisted)		

REBECCA P. SANBORN
School Nurse

STATISTICAL REPORT

Number of weeks of school year	38
Number of half-days in session	360
Total number of different pupils registered	
Boys 7 Girls 3	10
Average membership	9.10
Per cent of attendance	91.02
Average number of tardiness	0.43
Number of pupils transported at district expense	9
Number of visits to school by:	
School board members	0
Citizens	10
Superintendent	30
Number of School Board meetings held	7

The following pupils maintained perfect attendance:

Marina Hansen, Neal Hansen

Number of High School Pupils	High School Attended
4	Spaulding High School
3	Nute High School

Enrolled in High School 1953-1954

Nute High School

Edward Nason, Ronald Nason

ANNUAL REPORT OF

SUPERVISORY UNION NO. 36

July 1, 1952, balance on hand	\$ 336 72
Income (total)	6,090 00

Total	\$6,426 72

Expense

Expenses of Supervisory Union	
office	\$ 688 17
Secretary's salary	859 60
Educational Aids	322 17
*Superintendent's salary	3,400 00
Superintendent's travel expense	1,000 00

	\$6,269 94

Balance on hand, June 30, 1953 \$ 156 78

*State's additional share of Superintendent's salary \$2,275 00

Births Registered in the Town of Brookfield, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1953

Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Name of Child	Sex	Liv. or Stillborn	No. of Child	Color	Father's Name	Mother's Maiden Name	Color	Residence of Parents	Occupation of Parents	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother
April 11	Wolfeboro	Marsha J. Belknap	F	L	1	W	James L. Belknap	Frances Witham	W	Brookfield	Farmer	Mass.	Brookfield
April 11	Wolfeboro	Joseph A. Soucy	M	L	3	W	Armand J. Soucy	Louise L. Swinerton	W	Brookfield	Blacksmith	Wakefield	Wakefield

Marriages Registered in the Town of Brookfield, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1953

Date of Marriage	Place of Marriage	Name of Groom and Bride	Residence at Time of Marriage	Age	No. of Marriage	Color	Occupation of Bride and Groom	Place of Birth of Each	Name of Parents	Birthplace of Parents	Name, Residence Official Station by Whom Married
Jan. 1	Wakefield	Norman E. Caswell Inez L. Cotton	Newfield Brookfield	36 40	2 1	W W	Farmer Egg Grader	Greenland Wolfeboro	Austin W. Caswell Bella A. Caswell John A. Cotton Mary L. Cotton	Nottingham Hillsboro Wolfeboro Brookfield	Ernest R. Calvert Wakefield Minister

Deaths Registered in the Town of Brookfield, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1953

Date of Death	Place of Death	Name and Surname of the Deceased	Age in Years	Place of Birth	Sex	Color	Single, Mar., Wid.	Occupation	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
Oct. 11	Brookfield	Johanne M. Mattson	79	Karleby, Den.	F	W	M	Housewife	Morten Hansen	Karen Johansen
Nov. 3	Brookfield	Mira D. Franges	53	Zagret, Yugo.	F	W	M	Housewife	Anthony Sharer	Della Kalamhse

I hereby certify that the births, marriages and deaths are correct to the best of my knowledge.

C. TRACY WILLEY, Town Clerk.



